



Wayne National Forest  
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Nelsonville, OH 45764

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Dear Trail Rider:

Thank you for purchasing a Wayne National Forest (WNF) trail permit this year. In an effort to keep you informed about the WNF 2004 trail program, we would like to provide you with the following information.

### **2004 FEE DEMO PROGRAM RESULTS**

See the table below for the number of trail permits sold and the amount of revenues collected through the end of August 31, 2004.

<b><u>Trail Use Type</u></b>	<b><u># Trail Permits Sold</u></b>	<b><u>Total Revenue Collected</u></b>
All-terrain vehicles (ATV) and Off-highway motorcycles (OHM).....	11,791.....	\$185,074
Horse.....	259.....	\$ 6,024
Mountain Biking.....	47.....	\$ 1,124
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,097</b>	<b>\$192,222</b>

For each permit sold, 80 % of the total revenues collected will remain at the local level for trail improvement, maintenance, or other trail related projects; 15 % goes toward administering the recreation Fee Demonstration Program; and 5 % is sent to the Forest Service's Eastern Regional Office for use on establishing new or operating existing Fee Demonstration Pilot Projects.

### **YOUR TRAIL PERMIT FEES AT WORK**

Generally, revenues from the sale of trail permits are collected in one year and made available to spend on trail projects the following year. In 2003, \$185,000 in revenues was collected from the sale of trail permits for trail project work. In 2004, Fee Demo revenues were combined with other funds and grants to accomplish the following trail projects:

- Maintained 40 miles of ATV/OHM trail to standard (20 miles on Ironton District and 20 miles on Athens District);
- Constructed 2 miles of new ATV/OHM trail near Camp Ohio on the Monday Creek Trail System;
- Expanded the New Straitsville ATV/OHM trailhead parking lot;
- Repaired and fenced 5 helispots on the Monday Creek ATV/OHM Trail system;
- Improved directional signing on ATV/OHM trails;
- Updated and printed ATV/OHM Trail Map;
- Developed and printed New Horse Trail Map;
- Repaired a soil slip on the Stone Church Horse Trail.

## **2004 RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT PROGRAM (RTP)**

Similar to Fee Demo, grants are requested and sometimes awarded in one year and made available to use the following year. The Wayne National Forest applied for and was awarded \$233,000 in Recreational Trail Program grants in 2003 to improve and maintain some of its ATV/OHM trails. The following projects are being implemented in 2004:

- Maintain 10.5 miles of the Inner Dorr Run Trail (Athens District).
- Construct 2 miles of new ATV/OHM trail in the Monday Creek area (Athens District).
- Restore and maintain 11 miles of trails in the Hanging Rock area (Ironton District).
- Restore and maintain 8 miles of trails in the Pine Creek area (Ironton District).

Grants from FHWA/ODNR through the RTP program will provide up to 80% of the project cost. The WNF is required to contribute at least 15% of the project cost and to obtain the remaining 5% from a non-federal source. Thanks to the 5% contribution from the Ohio Multi-use Trail Association (OMTA), the WNF is able to use RTP funds to maintain trails to standard.

## **OHV WORKSHOP**

The Wayne National Forest will be sponsoring an OHV workshop October 12-16, 2004 in Logan, Ohio. Without the support and contributions from our partners like with the National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council (NOHVCC), the Ohio Multi-use Trail Association (OMTA), the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA), and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), this workshop would not have been possible. Grants from FHWA/ODNR through the RTP program will provide up to 80% of the workshop cost. The WNF will contribute 15% and OMTA will provide 5% of the workshop cost. NOHVCC will be responsible for coordinating and facilitating the workshop.

The purpose of the workshop is to provide land managers, OHV organization representatives, and trail volunteers a forum in which they can meet to discuss current OHV issues, learn the latest trail maintenance techniques, and identify ways volunteers can get involved in trail monitoring and maintenance.

Workshop registration is required for all participants. Workshop tuition is \$100.00 for all week or \$25.00 for the Saturday Field Day only. Though the last day to register for the workshop is September 23, 2004, riders may continue to call to check on workshop availability. To register or obtain more information about the workshop, please contact **Lynn Noltner (NOHVCC) at (800) 348-6487**.

## **VOLUNTEERISM**

The WNF is working closely with OMTA to develop a volunteer base to help the Forest monitor and maintain its motorized trail system. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact either of the following organizations:

### **Organization**

### **Phone**

### **E-mail**

Wayne National Forest (All trails)

(740) 753-0101

r9\_wayne\_website@fs.fed.us

Ohio Multi-use Trail Association (motorized trails only)

(740) 380-3050

info@ohiotrails.org

**Thank you for your support of the Wayne National Forest's trails program.**